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Interview Summary

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Applicant(s)

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All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

(1) Nicholas D. Rosen.

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(2) Thomas Jones.

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Date of Interview: 5/10/07.

Type: a) ☒ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference

c) ☐ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No.

If Yes, brief description: _____.

Claim(s) discussed: 1-10.

Identification of prior art discussed: Buettgenbach.

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☐ was not reached. h) ☒ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: See Continuation Sheet.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

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Nicholas D. Rosen
NICHOLAS D. ROSEN
PRIMARY EXAMINER

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Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: Mr. Jones called Examiner Rosen to inquire about the most recent rejection Office action, and raised the question of what constituted delivery to the recipient, as opposed to delivery to a center where the recipient could pick up a package. Examiner Rosen suggested that Mr. Jones and his client might wish to pay a modest fee for a pre-brief appeal conference, where Examiner Rosen's SPE and a an appeals conference specialist would have to consider that issue (and it might be a good idea to cancel claim 10). Mr. Jones then asked whether he could call Examiner Rosen's SPE directly, to which Examiner Rosen assured him that he had no objection. .